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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 9:25 AM

To: John Katz

Subject: Re: BP/May 3rd Congressional Hearing

Thank you John. It will be an interesting Committee hearing. This announcement of HCEC was big news up here yesterday.

John Katz <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org> wrote:

> I thought that you would be interested in the attached exchange of correspondence between Bob Malone of BP and the House Committee on Energy and Commerce concerning pipeline corrosion on the North Slope and related matters. These issues were the subject on an article in today's ADN.
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> At BP's request, the hearing scheduled for May 3rd has been postponed to give the company more time to respond to Committee questions. Jonne Slemons was poised to testify for the State.
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> Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 6:21 AM
To: Frye; Ivy J (GOV)
Subject: RE: judges

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Check out new cars at Yahoo! Autos.

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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 3:03 PM
To: Stapleton; Meghan N (GOV); Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: Isaacson on AGIA

have him send this to legislators - things aren't going well today after the third producer said they're not playing.

jim bowles just called to tell me they're running ads tomorrow - and in a couple of days the three producers together will run ads.

the "end game strategy" is extremely necessary at this point, and we need our votes to get the gasline process underway - that only happens with passage of AGIA.

i will start knocking on legislators' doors and setting up one on one meetings myself if/when i get word who it is having such heartburn over AGIA. these key legislators - whomever they are - need to be reminded of all Mayor Issacson is saying in his piece here.

Meghan Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us> wrote:

> FYI only as you head north on Thursday.
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> The text below will be a part of the Mayor's newsletter for May 1 (today).
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> Meghan N. Stapleton
> Communications Director
> Office of Governor Sarah Palin
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> 907.321.4975 c
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> **From:** Doug Isaacson [mailto:doug_isaacson@hotmail.com]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, May 01, 2007 2:39 PM
> **To:** melissa_stepovich@gov.state.ak.us
> **Subject:** Re: [Fwd: Press Release: Governor Palin Thanks North Pole Mayor & City Council for Signing AGIA Resolution]
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> Here's the text going into my May 1 Newsletter:
> Do You Know Who Owns Alaska?
> As an Alaskan, did you know that YOU own the oil, gas, coal, gold and other mineral wealth in Alaska? Most Alaskans either do not know or have forgotten that our State is unique. Alaska is the ONLY State that has placed ownership of its mineral wealth in the hands of the people of the State—our wealth can not be owned by any one individual or corporation. We are not "paid to live here" as our PFD is often mistakenly explained. We are paid a dividend on the development of our resources. Let me share with you five very important ramifications we must embrace:
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> ***First***: Alaskans are uniquely an "Owner" State. Since we are all owners, we must respect each other and develop our resources TODAY in order to provide maximum job opportunities for our people and allow our children the promise of jobs TOMORROW. Unfortunately, it seems some people in the State are intent on limiting opportunity and advancement for others and are trying to shut down the opportunity to develop the resources that will permit us to pay our own way well into the future, as a responsible State should and soon must.
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> ***Second***: Because we are the owners, we can not succumb to powerful parties who would try to intimidate us with the idea that they will no longer cooperate in the development of our resources. I'm no lawyer, but that threat sounds shaky. Former Governor Walter J. Hickel wrote in the April 15, 2007 Anchorage Daily News, "(In) the 1984 Amerada Hess case that pitted the state against the producers(,) Judge Walter Carpeneti ruled that the "covenant to market" means that when a project involving the state's resources is 'reasonably profitable, measured on its own merit,' the producers have a duty to participate." In other words, we've been down this road before and we must NOT forget that our position as OWNERS means we bargain from strength not inability.
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> ***Third***: We have both the ability to move forward in the development of our resources, and we have the responsibility to do so. How often are we going to fail to do what's necessary unless we find someone else to pay for our development? For example, it seems we won't build a road any more

unless the Feds fund it. Are we going to drag our feet on the gasline unless the Producers do it? Have we forgotten that in the late 1960s our State leaders argued for Prudhoe Bay by being willing to produce the oil, with or without the Producers? Big Oil knew then we had the ability and knew that it was our right. To perhaps oversimplify the argument, it's time for us, **THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**, and our leaders, to step forward with the will to bring to market our resources. The Producers have already stated that we are in a window of opportunity and they don't want to lose this profitable opportunity. Not unexpectedly, they will do everything in their power, during the negotiating period, to maximize every last bit of profit for themselves. And we, too, must responsibly move forward, without unnecessary delay, because the gasline is a project that will create good paying jobs for many of our people, and if done right—to include petrochemical production within our State, perhaps even right here in North Pole—natural gas becomes a legacy project that will positively impact our economy for our children's children! Development of our resources is not just a natural gas and oil issue, it also applies to all the vast mineral wealth throughout our State.

Fourth: The Alaska Statehood Act passed by Congress in 1958 gave 103 million acres, including the sub-surface rights to the people of the State of Alaska (approximately the same size as California). But what defines, "the people of the State?" There are quite a few people who reside in Alaska who do not have the success of State of Alaska in mind. I call these people, "transients." Sometimes they are transient by design, in order to stop the efforts of true Alaskans from developing a vigorous and self-sustaining economy; and sometimes they are accidental, just "doing time" until they can get back Outside. Personally, I don't consider a transient an Alaskan at all. Just because someone is able to collect a PFD check, doesn't really mean they have become an Alaskan at heart. There's no legal test that can be applied, just practical ones. For example, when asked about your State, if you respond with everything about the State from which you've come, you're NOT Alaskan! However, if you can see yourself as a vital and constructive part of the success of this State, no matter how small or how big a role you have in the effort, you are an Alaskan. Notice, ***the test is not in whether you or I succeed in what we want to accomplish in this State, but whether or not we can put our individual accomplishment second to the success of the enterprise, the State of Alaska***. Don't get me wrong, we need to personally succeed in order to support ourselves and our families and to accomplish the greater good, but do we put our self motivated interests above the greater good? (You and I know people who say, "My success IS the greater good!") It all boils down to us working to better the present and future generations' ability to live and work in Alaska as we and they choose. Then there are no small roles; just limits to our imagination and our courage.

Finally: If you want your Permanent Fund Dividend check to really grow, imitate the corporate shareholder in a Wall Street company and **DEMAND MAXIMUM, RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT AND RETURN** for the leases of your resources. Let your voice be heard with the "Board of Directors," i.e., the legislature and the Congress, and even affected parties like the Producers who have taken out the leases. Tell them, let's fund it! Let's get it done! Let's move forward! What about the Governor? She gets it. From what I can tell, AGIA is all about being an owner. Let's support her.

For our State—the State of Alaska—to succeed, every generation must have leadership that makes wise and hard decisions. It's time for you and me to step forward.

From: *"Melissa M. Stepovich " <melissa_stepovich@gov.state.ak.us>*
To: *doug_isaacson <doug_isaacson@hotmail.com>*
Subject: *Re: [Fwd: Press Release: Governor Palin Thanks North Pole Mayor & City Council for Signing AGIA Resolution]*
Date: *Mon, 30 Apr 2007 15:56:18 -0800*

please :)

doug_isaacson wrote:

do you need me to re-send as text in the email?

-----Original Message-----
From: "Melissa M. Stepovich " <melissa_stepovich@gov.state.ak.us>
Sent: Monday, April 30, 2007 11:31 PM
To: "Doug Isaacson" <doug_isaacson@hotmail.com>
Subject: Re: [Fwd: Press Release: Governor Palin Thanks North Pole Mayor & City Council for Signing AGIA Resolution]

Thanks Doug. Bummer, I can"t open the attachment.

Doug Isaacson wrote:

Melissa,
You're welcome. I've attached the lead article that will come out in my May newsletter that explains why I'm personally supporting this Governor.
Doug Isaacson, Mayor

From: *"Melissa M. Stepovich " <melissa_stepovich@gov.state.ak.us>*
To: *doug_isaacson@hotmail.com, Mayor@northpolealaska.com*
Subject: *[Fwd: Press Release: Governor Palin Thanks North Pole Mayor & City Council for Signing AGIA Resolution]*
Date: *Mon, 30 Apr 2007 14:34:16 -0800*
Thank you very much for your support.

Melissa

From: *Sharon Busch <sharon_busch@gov.state.ak.us>*
To: *GOV - PRESS RELEASE DISTRIBUTION <prdistribution@gov.state.ak.us>*
Subject: *Press Release: Governor Palin Thanks North Pole Mayor & City Council for Signing AGIA Resolution*
Date: *Mon, 30 Apr 2007 14:29:25 -0800*

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE 07-094

Governor Palin Thanks North Pole Mayor & City Council for Signing AGIA Resolution

April, 30, 2007, Juneau, Alaska - Governor Sarah Palin thanks North Pole Mayor Doug Isaacson and members of the North Pole City Council for supporting the Alaska Gasline Inducement Act through a Resolution of the North Pole City Council dated April 16, 2007.

"Alaskans across the State are supportive of AGIA," said Governor Sarah Palin. "They like that it establishes a public, open, transparent, and competitive process; jobs for Alaskans; gas for Alaskans; and timetables to get our gas to market as quickly as possible. I appreciate Mayor Isaacson and members of the City Council for publicly showing their support, and I look forward to continue working with them on the gasline."

The Alaska Gasline Inducement Act continues to make its way through the House and Senate finance committees. Leaders of both Chambers say they expect passage of AGIA before the legislative session ends.

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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 2:15 PM
To: Frye; Ivy J (GOV)
Subject: Re: Erik Drygas called

talked to him - tell meg he accepts - contact him with logistics when you need him

Ivy Frye <ivy_frye@gov.state.ak.us> wrote:

> Governor Palin,
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> Erik returned your phone call. He's very excited and looks forward to talking to you. I told him the time and location of the event, but told him you would follow up with him briefly. His number again is Privileged c
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> You're awesome.
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> Ivy Frye
> Director of Boards and Commissions
> Office of Governor Sarah Palin
> (907) 465-3500 office
> (907) 465-8110 fax

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 9:44 AM
To: Meghan N Stapleton; Frye; Ivy J (GOV)
Subject: Re: Fairbanks Daily News-Miner article

Ill try to appt a LBC fairbanks member that day also. Ivys working on it. If we go with Privil, Ivy, then submit his resume but not cover letter to Meg for her perusal. If we go with Privileged, pls share her resume with Meg also. Thnks

-----Original Message-----

From: Meghan Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

Date: Tue, 01 May 2007 09:06:05

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Fairbanks Daily News-Miner article

Fairbanksan to fill vacant regents seat

By Stefan Milkowski

Published May 1, 2007

JUNEAU — A Fairbanksan will fill the University of Alaska Board of Regents seat vacated by Jim Hayes, according to a spokeswoman for Gov. Sarah Palin.

Meghan Stapleton, the spokeswoman, said Monday the governor had chosen a resident of Fairbanks to replace Hayes, who resigned last week. Palin will announce her appointment Thursday in Fairbanks at a Rotary International luncheon, where she was previously scheduled to speak, Stapleton said.

Hayes, a former Fairbanks mayor, resigned Friday under pressure from the governor and lawmakers and following a federal indictment on charges of fraud unrelated to his service on the board of regents.

Local lawmakers have expressed concern about Fairbanks' representation on the board, which is responsible for governing the statewide university system, and encouraged Palin to fill the seat with someone from Fairbanks.

Stapleton did not say who was chosen.

Meghan N. Stapleton

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 8:26 AM
To: Kreitzer, Annette (Dept. of Admin)
Subject: Re: DOA procurement in Wasilla

Thanks annette. I didn't know any of that. Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: "Kreitzer, Annette \(Dept. of Admin\)" <Annette_Kreitzer@admin.state.ak.us>

Date: Mon, 30 Apr 2007 17:27:22

To:<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: DOA procurement in Wasilla

Governor:

Sorry it took me so long to get this response back to you. I needed to talk with the contracting officers and review the Invitation to Bid in addition to the correspondence surrounding this contract.

Royal Business Systems (RBS) bid on a statewide copier contract (issued September 15, 2006 - Prebid conference was Oct. 6, 2006, and bids had to be submitted by Dec. 20, 2006).

RBS has done work on some State copiers in the Valley prior to this bid, but as I understand it, they were seeking to increase their business through successful bidding on this contract.

Here is a brief summary of our award of copier contracts in the Mat-Su Valley:

- On January 16, 2007, we issued a Notice of Intent for the statewide copier contract. Royal Business Systems was named as having six copiers in the Mat-Su Valley that were susceptible for award. However, their bid did not include the required evidence that their local service technician had manufacturer authorization or certification to service their copiers.

- On January 26, 2007, Valley Business Machines protested Royal's service technician qualifications. After multiple requests, Royal provided enough supplemental information that we initially determined their service technician met the ITB requirements and denied Valley's protest.

- On March 12, 2007, Valley submitted an appeal which continued to challenge the qualifications of Royal's service technician.

- On March 13, 2007, we requested that Royal have their manufacturers each provide a letter or email that clearly certified that their service technician is trained and authorized to provide service and maintenance on machines in the Mat-Su valley. They were given until March 20, 2007 to provide the evidence.

- On March 21, 2007, after not receiving any additional information from Royal, we determined them non-responsive for the Mat-Su Valley.

- On March 27, 2007, Royal protested our non-responsive determination and argued that we should not have required more information but provided no additional evidence.

- On March 29, 2007, we denied their protest. Royal did not appeal and we are proceeding to award. Valley Business Machines did provide the certifications of its technicians.

This situation revealed to the State Procurement Officer that the State needs to be more vigilant in ensuring that technicians for these contracts are certified to work on the machines bid. The State erred in its initial qualification of RBS, and had an opportunity to revisit that only because of the complaint by Valley Business Machines. The State is bound to respond when someone protests a bid. As you can imagine, sometimes the complaint is valid and sometimes not. In this case, it's hard to understand why RBS did not timely respond with its service technician's credentials, when the contract was on the line. Because it did not, it will be out of game on this contract. The contract has one-year extensions, and there will be another opportunity for RBS to correct the problems that it encountered on this contract. We are also committed to make the next contract simpler to respond to.

Governor, I want to be sure you're also aware of this background, although it doesn't bear on whether RBS' technicians are certified or not:

A year ago, Mr. David Eibeck, owner of Royal Business Systems, Privileged or Personal Material Re
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Privileged or After discussion with the Attorney General's office he was advised on April 23, 2007 that, "The state considers altering an email message a serious matter that cannot be overlooked. As a result, we are suspending your contract though August 31, 2006, and requiring you to assign another individual to administer the contract and represent RBS (Royal Business Systems) in all dealings with State of Alaska personnel regarding copier sales and maintenance agreements and the Division of General Services. This condition would also apply to the upcoming solicitation that will result in new statewide copier contracts".

I hope this helps you evaluate the criticism that the State acted to "favor" someone else in this invitation to bid. It is my opinion in the face of all of the evidence I have seen, that that assertion is not true.

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Sunday, April 22, 2007 7:11 PM

To: Kreitzer, Annette (Dept. of Admin)

Subject: DOA procurment in Wasilla

Thanks for the great event today Annette! That was fun - and it was great to see your husband there too.

Do you know of this issue mentioned in the email below? My brother is asking about someone who lost a contract with the state. Pls see below.

-----Original Message-----

From: chuck heath <chckheath@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat, 21 Apr 2007 09:41:10

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: Media Advisory: Governor Palin to Unveil Alaska CommemorativeQuarter

I'll call a few kids and see if they can make it. I

won't be at school Monday because I'll be at your

Volunteer Awards at the Sheraton.

A guy on my hockey team, Dave Eibeck (who you've met a

couple of times because he campaigned for you) told me

last night that someone in Dept. of Admin (in charge

of procurement) is playing favorites. He owns Royal

Business Systems and they sell and service copiers

around the state. He said he lost his Valley contract

with the State because they told him he wasn't

qualified to work on machines there...even though he

works on State machines every where else from

Southeast to Fairbanks.

Voice of the Times sounds desperate now. Keep it

positive and ignore them.

Did Track like the bike? We are going to Wasilla

today.

--- gov.sarah@yahoo.com wrote:

> Sounds good. Still be nice to have next generation
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> of AKns with us. Let me ask my brother if some of
>
> his students could be there at that time.
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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Meghan Stapleton

> <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

> Date: Fri, 20 Apr 2007 13:49:43

> To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

> Cc:'Sharon Leighow'

> <sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>,'Kris Perry'

> <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>,'Meghan Stapleton'

> <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

> Subject: FW: Media Advisory: Governor Palin to

> Unveil Alaska Commemorative

> Quarter

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> We thought unveiling at the Alaska Mint would be

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> From: Sharon Busch

> [mailto:sharon_busch@gov.state.ak.us]

> Sent: Friday, April 20, 2007 12:20 PM

> To: GOV - PRESS MEDIA ADVISORY DISTRIBUTION

> Subject: Media Advisory: Governor Palin to Unveil

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> Media Advisory, April 20, 2007

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> Governor Palin to Unveil Alaska Commemorative

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> Anchorage, Alaska - Governor Sarah Palin will unveil

> the Alaska

> commemorative quarter, Monday, April 23, 2007, in

> Anchorage. The design

> will be forwarded to the U.S. Mint which will

> release the coin in August

> 2008.

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> Who: Governor Sarah Palin and

> members of the Alaska

> Commemorative Coin Commission

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> What: Alaska's Commemorative

> Quarter Unveiling

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> When: April 23, 2007, 2:30 p.m.

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> Where: Alaska Mint, 429 West 4th

> Avenue, Anchorage
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> Contact: Meghan Stapleton (907)
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From: Stacy Goade [stacy_goade@eed.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 10:27 AM
To: Ludwig; Bruce (DOA sponsored)
Cc: Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Kreitzer; Annette (Dept. of Admin)
Subject: RE: Negotiations Update April 30, 2007

Thanks for the update Bruce. Today is my last day in my state supervisor position and I want to let you know that I support your message below. Supervisor's have not had adequate pay raises, have taken on more work, cannot find qualified people for vacant positions, deal with constant turnover and put in a lot of extra hours to make sure state responsibilities/work are completed. I have decided to leave Juneau and move to Anchorage to find employment outside of state government. It is not so desirable to work for the state any longer. If I were remaining in state employment, I would vote to strike for a new contract. There is money in the state accounts, and I feel that supervisors who hold a lot of knowledge, experience and responsibility continue to be devalued. Enough is enough. The fact that Commissioners can get a 34% increase and they are temporary appointments sickens me as a state employee and as a tax paying citizen.

Regards,
Stacy Goaded

From: Bruce Ludwig [mailto:bludwig@apea-aft.org]
Sent: Monday, April 30, 2007 6:41 PM
To: bruce_senkow@dot.state.ak.us
Subject: Negotiations Update April 30, 2007

Fellow Supervisors,

We are back at the negotiating table this week. A federal mediator is now brokering discussions between us and the Administration's negotiators. Unfortunately and not surprisingly, it is not going well. As we have been saying all along, we are in this battle for the long haul. It seems clear the Palin Administration has little interest in reaching an agreement with their employees.

The state is sitting on Billions of dollars in surpluses. In addition there are Billions of Dollars in the various state savings accounts. It's clear when the state needed to raise salaries to recruit qualified and competent Commissioners, they did....by 34%.(see attached graph) The state can find money when they want to.

This is not about finding money, or about the state's ability to pay. This is about the Palin Administration valuing their supervisors.

Your negotiating team,

Bruce Senkow (Northern primary) Tim Viavant (alternate)
Dean Williams (Southcentral primary) Bill Parker (alternate)
John White (Southeast primary) Ray Preston (alternate)
Bruce Ludwig (Chief Spokesperson)

RESPECT = FAIR PAY

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 6:40 AM
To: Frye; Ivy J (GOV)
Subject: Re: judges

Go back to bed!

-----Original Message-----

From: "Ivy Frye" <ivy_frye@gov.state.ak.us>

Date: Tue, 1 May 2007 06:29:17

To:"Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: judges

Sounds good.

And yes, tom sent a res during transition. I'll print a copy this morning.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: "Ivy Frye" <ivy_frye@gov.state.ak.us>

Sent: 5/1/07 6:22 AM

Subject: RE: judges

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From: Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, April 30, 2007 4:08 PM

To: ivy_frye@gov.state.ak.us

Subject: judges

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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 2:57 PM
To: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Re: FW: Halcro Blog

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"Lt. Governor Sean Parnell" <sr_parnell@gov.state.ak.us> wrote:

> Privileged or Personal Material Redacted Let me know your thoughts when you have time. Sean
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> **From:** Kate Morgan [mailto:kate_morgan@gov.state.ak.us]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, May 01, 2007 2:22 PM
> **To:** 'S Parnell'
> **Cc:** 'Jay Pullins'; 'Kelly Clifton'; 'Kris Showalter'; 'Kate Morgan'
> **Subject:** Halcro Blog
> **Importance:** High
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> **The Lt. Governor and a moment of opportunity**
> **By Andrew Halcro**
> It was a question that was whispered quietly during the first few weeks of AGIA testimony. During the last few weeks of AGIA testimony, the question has been raised publicly. Where is the voice of Lt. Governor Sean Parnell?
> From talk show hosts to legislators to journalists, Parnell's noticeable absence during the debate over AGIA has many wondering why. After all, as one local columnist wrote rhetorically, wasn't he considered the brains of the organization when it came to oil & gas.
> At least that was the hope. And for awhile hope was plentiful.
> On day one of Governor Sarah Palin's administration, Parnell was a high profile in meet and greets with the oil & gas industry concerning the construction of an Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline. For pipeline advocates this was a reassuring sign, as Parnell with his calm, cool operating style and his history as a respected legislator, was considered the greatest hope to provide a counterbalance in an incoming administration known to be openly hostile towards the oil & gas industry.
> After the election, Parnell was instantly embraced by given a key role in handling budget matters during the transition. He became Governor Palin's wingman on fiscal issue for press conferences and talk show appearances.
> Whenever the Governor was asked a question of any magnitude about state finances,

she'd step back almost on cue and Parnell's voice instantly filled the void. His previous experience of serving eight years in the legislature, including two years as the powerful Senate Finance Co-Chair, gave him the street credibility to talk about Alaska's fiscal outlook. However, as soon as the budget was handed off to the legislature, he disappeared.

Two weeks ago before I a meeting with the Governor's gas line team, Parnell made his position known. I've heard people ask where I am and I'll tell you I'm behind the Governor and AGIA, he said. During the last two weeks, Parnell has become more of a visible pitchman for AGIA.

He penned an Op/Ed entitled "Turn the Private Sector Loose", which has been published in local newspapers. Yesterday at a press conference, he offered his first public quote on AGIA saying, "These producers treat the legislative process as a negotiation". But when you hear his voice and read his words, someone has to ask, does he really believe in AGIA.

During his term in Juneau, Parnell was a key legislator who participated in crafting the Stranded Gas Act as well as the development agreement terms that made the Northstar field a reality. Ironically, both deals recognized the need for give and take to encourage development, something that AGIA lacks.

He was always a small government guy whose belief rested in the fact that government didn't know best. During his final two years as a State Senator was the driving force behind adopting missions and measures for state government so the legislature could more accurately analyze the bang they were getting for their buck.

During a particularly tough budget year in 1999 when criticism was mounting that Alaska wasn't doing enough to invest in necessary services, he offered up a moving response. In a speech that was dubbed "Rachel's Hands" Parnell argued tough decisions had to be made because he wanted to protect his daughter by not saddling her with a government she couldn't pay for when she grew up.

Since that speech, oil production has declined over 40% and the cost of state government has almost doubled due to higher operating costs and changing demographics. By all accounts, the sense of urgency for Alaska to get a pipeline deal is now and that's what makes Parnell's unequivocal support for AGIA so confusing.

In his recent Op/Ed, he promotes AGIA by advocating the benefits of a new approach. However, I couldn't get past the first paragraph with a straight face. Parnell opens his opinion piece by writing, "It astonishes me that Alaska's political pundits think it is up to the state to get a gasline. Government doesn't make private sector projects happen, the private sector does".

However, if you truly believe the private sector makes projects happen, then AGIA ought to scare the hell out of you. As it is designed today, AGIA represents government – not the private sector- establishing a list of unrealistic demands with the threat of take it or will try and make you take it anyway.

After all, if you really believe the private sector makes projects happen, you recognize the fact that the private sector does so only after evaluating all relevant financial and legal risks. If you believe the private sector drives development, you recognize that the more complex and riskier the project, the more need for flexibility and stability, not less. If you believe the private sector that makes projects happen, you understand that government bureaucrats are the last people that should be forcing poorly thought out development terms down the throat of the private sector.

However AGIA violates all of the fundamental premises that Parnell argues for in his Op/Ed piece and certainly contradicts his legislative and personal history. In the legislature as a respected leader, he recognized the need for diplomacy and negotiations to create partnerships with the private sector. And as a former small business owner, Parnell understands the risks associated with opening your doors for business every day.

In the last few days, with both AGIA bills in the House and Senate Finance Committees, the testimony has become more and more direct. All major producers have said without some basic changes to AGIA they will not offer a bid. Yesterday, Enbridge Pipeline Company repeated what it has consistently said since day one; no producers – no pipeline. Ironically, the changes

the private sector is advocating for would recognize Parnell's argument he attempted to make in his Op/Ed piece; the private sector, not government will make a pipeline happen.
Maybe Parnell's AGIA contradiction has to do with being a team player. Maybe it has to do with political expediency or maybe he is a true believer in AGIA. In any case, if AGIA is actually going to work, it needs changes.
Without some changes, Alaska could choose a partner who has no gas, no credit and no way to finance the project. To add insult to injury, according to the terms of AGIA, Alaska could be stuck with this same non preforming partner for up to 11 years as well be liable for almost a billion dollars in penalties if we want to get out of the deal.
Lt. Governor Parnell, you have a chance to be a hero and protect the hands of every Alaskan, young and old alike.

Kate Morgan
Special Assistant/Communications
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From: Tom Irwin [tom_irwin@dnr.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 11:39 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Meghan N Stapleton; Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Bitney; John W (LAA)
Cc: Martha K Rutherford; Patrick S Galvin; Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: RE: FAIRBANKS TRIP / RESOLUTION

Meg, It looks like I have an opportunity to talk to a couple of Fairbanks C of C committees on Thursday afternoon. After Rotary and before Michael Dukes. Please coordinate with Melissa Privileged . I am glad to do this. Please let me know. Tom

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

To: "Meghan N Stapleton" <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>; "Tom Irwin" <tom_irwin@dnr.state.ak.us>; "Joseph R Balash" <joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us>; "John W Bitney" <john_bitney@gov.state.ak.us>

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Sent: 5/1/07 9:41 AM

Subject: Re: FAIRBANKS TRIP / RESOLUTION

Doug will prob be at rotary mtg and I'll try to squeeze in phone call to steve instead of mtg.

Hopefully more munis will pass resos. Bitney: would you remind AML's lobbyist that we want this?

-----Original Message-----

From: Meghan Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

Date: Tue, 01 May 2007 09:28:38

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "'Irwin, Tom E (DNR)'" <tom_irwin@dnr.state.ak.us>,'Joe Balash' <joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us>

Cc:'marty rutherford' <marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us>,'Patrick Galvin' <patrick_galvin@revenue.state.ak.us>,mike_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us

Subject: FAIRBANKS TRIP / RESOLUTION

Don't know if you saw this article, this morning. With your trip north this week, it might be nice to shake hands with Mayor Isaacson and personally thank him. And then I would suggest a meeting with Mayor Steve Thompson who said he wants a better understanding of the legislation before weighing in. Any thoughts on this?

Thanks,

Meg

North Pole mayor backs pipeline bill

By Chris Eshleman

Published May 1, 2007

Mayor Doug Isaacson and North Pole City Council members have come out in support of Gov. Sarah Palin's Alaska Gasline Inducement Act, which lays out incentives aimed at spurring construction of a natural gas pipeline.

Isaacson said he supports Palin's approach toward building a pipeline. Her gas team's style is a change from that of previous state officials who had proposed "surrendering" the state's interests to those of the oil companies, he said.

"This governor is thinking of ways to push for a fair pipeline," Isaacson said. "We need to push forward. Now's the time, the window of opportunity is not getting any longer."

The city of Fairbanks and the Fairbanks North Star Borough have not taken official stances on Palin's plan.

Fairbanks North Star Borough Mayor Jim Whitaker has openly supported Palin's approach toward spurring pipeline construction and said a couple of Borough Assembly members have commented that a statement of support could be "appropriate." Whitaker is also chairman of the Alaska Gasline Port Authority, a governmental entity of the Fairbanks and North Slope boroughs and the city of Valdez that is proposing to build the gas line.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 6:50 PM
To: Meghan N Stapleton; Tom E Irwin; Spencer; Kari L (GOV)
Cc: Balash; Joseph R (GOV)
Subject: Re: Fairbanks Daily News-Miner

The sched got packed today. I can't see any time in there at all.

-----Original Message-----

From: Meghan Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

Date: Tue, 01 May 2007 18:35:30

To:'Sarah Palin' <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, 'Tom Irwin' <tom_irwin@dnr.state.ak.us>

Cc:'Joe Balash' <joe_balash@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: Fairbanks Daily News-Miner

Fairbanks Daily News-Miner editor, Rod Boyce, called today and asked for an editorial board meeting while the Governor is in town. I hadn't thought of it before because the Governor's schedule has been tight and I left a space, that's now filled, for more briefings for Barrow. What shall we do? Do you have any heartburn if I say – so sorry, the schedule's been packed.

Meghan N. Stapleton

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 6:34 PM
To: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Re: Comparing notes

Asked him to keep you in loop - he wanted to know if you sensed common ground that producers/state could find in last wks before Agia vote.

-----Original Message-----

From: "Lt. Governor Sean Parnell" <sr_parnell@gov.state.ak.us>

Date: Tue, 01 May 2007 17:52:51

To:'Sarah Palin' <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Comparing notes

Governor,

Mike came down today and shared a bit of info related to budget and AGIA. Can you tell me whether you asked him to come over and what you asked him to accomplish in the visit??

Sean

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From: govpalin@gov.state.ak.us
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 5:50 PM
To: Erika Fagerstrom; Spencer; Kari L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Special service invitation

Am I around then Kari?

-----Original Message-----

From: Erika Fagerstrom <erika_fagerstrom@gov.state.ak.us>

Date: Tue, 01 May 2007 17:32:34

To:govpalin@gov.state.ak.us, 'Kari Spencer' <kari_spencer@gov.state.ak.us>

Subject: FW: Special service invitation

Hello Governor and Kari,

This was sent to me, and I'm not sure how to proceed. Please advise, if you'd like to deal directly with Pastor Rose in regards to this request or through me. I'm not involved with the coordinating of this event- like I was for the Prayer Lunch, but am willing to help coordinate this on behalf of the Governor, if this is something you are interested in pursuing.

It seems like it would be personal not state business, so if that's the case and you'd like me to follow-up on a personal/faith level—just let me know. I'd be happy to do whatever. J

Thank you,

Erika

Hi Erika,

I would like to offer an invitation for Gov. Palin to share an opening greeting to people at a special service open to everyone on June 17th at 2:00 p.m. featuring the Internationally known Pastor Dr. John Hagee. This inspiring service will focus on Christians uniting together to help Israel. The service will last until 3:30p.m.

I have included a rather lengthy Bio because John Hagee's impact and influence on our world is substantial.

Please contact me with any questions regarding this event.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Rose

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JOHN HAGEE BIO

John C. Hagee (b. April

12: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/April_12> , 1940: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1940>) is the founder and senior pastor: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pastor> of Cornerstone Church in San Antonio: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/San_Antonio> , Texas, a non-denominational evangelical church with more than 18,000 active members.

Hagee is the President and CEO of John Hagee Ministries which telecasts his national radio and television ministry carried in America on 160 TV stations, 50 radio stations and eight networks. The ministries can be seen and heard weekly in 99 million homes. John Hagee Ministries is in Canada on the Miracle Channel and CTS and can be seen in Africa, Europe, Australia, New Zealand and is in most developing nations: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Developing_nation> .

He is also the president and CEO of Global Evangelism Television, which telecasts his radio and television ministry. Hagee has received numerous honors and accolades from national Jewish organizations for his unwavering support of Israel. In pursuit of his support of Israel, Hagee helped found Christians United for Israel on February 7, 2006 as a "Christian AIPAC" lobbying Congress to support Israel.

Hagee was awarded the "Humanitarian of the Year" award by the San Antonio B'nai B'rith Council. It was the first time in the history of San Antonio that this award has been given to a Gentile: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gentile> . Dr. Hagee was presented the ZOA Israel Award by U.N. Ambassador Jean Kirkpatrick. This award was given by the Jewish Community of Dallas, Texas. He was presented the ZOA Service Award by Texas: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Texas> Governor Mark White: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mark_White> . Houston Mayor Kathy Whitmire issued a special proclamation in his honor declaring Pastor John C. Hagee Day. Hagee has received numerous honors and accolades from national Jewish organizations for his support of Israel.

Hagee has been to Israel twenty-two times and has met with every Prime Minister: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prime_Minister> since Menachem Begin. John Hagee Ministries
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has given more than $8.5 million to bring Soviet Jews from the former Soviet Union to Israel. Dr. Hagee is also the Founder and Executive Director of "A Night to Honor Israel", an event which expresses solidarity between Christians and Jews on behalf of Jerusalem, the State of Israel and the United States. [4].

On February 7, 2006, John Hagee and 400 leaders from the Christian and Jewish communities formed a new national organization called Christians United For Israel (CUFI) [5]. This organization is focused on communicating the need to defend Israel, in light of biblically-based matters, with members of the United States Congress.

From: Michael Rose [mailto:mikerose58@hotmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, April 26, 2007 11:04 AM

To: erika_fagerstrom@gov.state.ak.us

Subject: Special service invitation

Michael J. Rose

Don’t

quit your job – Take Classes Online and Earn your Degree in 1 year. Start

Today!: <http://g.msn.com/8HMAENUS/2743??PS=47575>

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From: Governor Sarah Palin [governor@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 3:36 PM
To: ci@akmk.com
Subject: RE: Economic_Development

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you

have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and

every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person

in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Sunday, April 29, 2007 2:33 PM

To: governor@gov.state.ak.us

Subject: Economic_Development

Web mail from: Mr. Kathleen Menke

address: PO Box 781

Haines AK 99827

MESSAGE:

This is regarding the upcoming postal rate increases and how they are going to

negatively affect businesses in Alaska, particularly rural Alaskans, who do not have

cost-effective UPS and Fed X options.

The postal rate increases coming for May 14 (urgent!) are going to have a big

impact on my business and other businesses in Haines.

Those who sell and ship books, like myself, from rural Alaska are going to be

especially hard hit.

Priority Mail for Bound Printed Matter will now go from $4.05 per flat rate priority

mail (up to two pounds) or $2.12-$2.83 (for former first class/bound printed matter) to $4.60 to $7.50, depending on the zone to which the package is being shipped. From Haines, we are shipping to the higher number zones (6-8 for the most part). So, effectively the cost of shipping one to two books for my business will increase from $2.12 or $4.05 to up to for the most part $6.55 to $7.50.

Media rate is being discontinued for parcels over 15 pounds (the size of cartons of books). Elsewhere in the country, publishers are being advised to use UPS or Fed X. That obviously is not a solution for us here in Haines.

The increase for a first class letter is minor compared with other price increases that will affect local business shipping and ordering scenarios.

If you will E-mail me at ci@akmk.com, I can send an attachment with the actual changes that will affect rural Alaskan book publishers, such as myself, and most other Alaskans.

I hope Sarah Palin and the Alaska Legistlature can help support Senator Stevens in addressing this issue at the federal level.

Regards, Kathleen

ci@akmk.com

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From: Ivy Frye [Ivy_Frye@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 5:07 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: William Andrews

Governor Palin,

I wanted you to know that William stopped by my office this afternoon. We talked for nearly 45 minutes regarding his thoughts on the University, the Board of Regents, his plans after graduation, his internship with the Legislature, etc. He's top notch. Very humble, polite and articulate. He even took an opportunity to praise two of the other nominations and spoke to their exceptional qualifications (the nominees from Kenai and Mat-Su).

William reiterated that the university needs to hold the line when it comes to spending and said that a lot of the university projects (as well as other state capital projects) are contingent upon getting a gasline built. He's a proponent of vocational education, keeping Alaskans in Alaska, conservative budgeting and spending, and living within our means. He believes the last two years the state has been very generous in both the operating and capital budget toward the university and can see why the state would want to curb spending this year.

He's committed to fulfilling the two year requirement as a student regent and wouldn't have applied if he didn't think he could fulfill the obligation to the administration and the board. He will be in Juneau for the next year where he will begin a master program in education/teaching and then spend a semester in Anchorage to student teach and then come back to Juneau to graduate. His long term goal is to move to Anchorage to be closer to his daughter.

PS—I know you're going out of town this week. I'd be more than happy to stay with the girls if they wouldn't mind hanging out with me again.

Thanks,

Ivy Frye
Director of Boards and Commissions
Office of Governor Sarah Palin
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(907) 465-8110 fax

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From: Ivy Frye [Ivy_Frye@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 1:29 PM
To: Meghan Stapleton; 'Sharon Leighow'
Cc: Michael A Tibbles; Mike Nizich; gov.sarah@yahoo.com; John W Bitney; Katz; John W (GOV)

Meghan and Sharon,

These letters went out today re: nominations for federal fish boards.

Dr. Roland Maw was nominated by Governor Palin for the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission. Dr. Maw will be the permanent and alternate nomination.

Mike Heimbuch was nominated by Governor Palin for the Bering Sea Fisheries Advisory Board. Daniel Carney will be the alternate nomination.

Alan Austerman submitted resignation letters to Governor Palin, Secretary Condoleeza Rice, and President Bush. Please let me know if you need any other information.

Thanks so much,

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From: Ivy Frye [Ivy_Frye@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 8:35 AM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: letters to the editor

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Also, Stephan had a short article re: announcing the new FBX regent at rotary on Thursday.

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From: Ivy Frye [Ivy_Frye@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 11:16 AM
To: Jackson; Karleen
Cc: gov.sarah@yahoo.com; Michael A Tibbles
Subject: Ed Rasmusen

Commissioner Jackson,

Governor Palin tried to reach Mr. Rasmusen regarding his role on the Health Council. She had me follow up with him this morning. He said he would call you today to hear more about the Council.

Thank you,

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From: Ivy Frye [Ivy_Frye@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 3:33 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Chris Clark's Birthday

Today is Chris Clark's birthday. We just found out! I'm sending Jacob to get him a coffee card for you to present him if you're interested.

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From: Kreitzer, Annette (Dept. of Admin) [/O=DEC/OU=JUNEAU/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=ANNETTE_KREITZER]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 10:43 AM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: RE: DOA procurement in Wasilla

One more thing, so that you don't get blindsided: I gave Division of General Services approval to award this contract to Valley Business Machines, a qualified bidder. That will probably happen today or tomorrow.

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 8:25 AM

To: Kreitzer, Annette (Dept. of Admin)

Subject: Re: DOA procurement in Wasilla

Thanks annette. I didn't know any of that. Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: "Kreitzer, Annette \(Dept. of Admin\)" <Annette_Kreitzer@admin.state.ak.us>

Date: Mon, 30 Apr 2007 17:27:22

To:<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: DOA procurement in Wasilla

Governor:

Sorry it took me so long to get this response back to you. I needed to talk with the contracting officers and review the Invitation to Bid in addition to the correspondence surrounding this contract.

Royal Business Systems (RBS) bid on a statewide copier contract (issued September 15, 2006 - Prebid conference was Oct. 6, 2006, and bids had to be submitted by Dec. 20, 2006).

RBS has done work on some State copiers in the Valley prior to this bid, but as I understand it, they were seeking to increase their business through successful bidding on this contract.

Here is a brief summary of our award of copier contracts in the Mat-Su Valley:

- On January 16, 2007, we issued a Notice of Intent for the statewide copier contract. Royal Business Systems was named as having six copiers in the Mat-Su Valley that were susceptible for award. However, their bid did not include the required evidence that their local service technician had manufacturer authorization or certification to service their copiers.

- On January 26, 2007, Valley Business Machines protested Royal's service technician qualifications. After multiple requests, Royal provided enough supplemental information that we initially determined their service technician met the ITB requirements and denied Valley's protest.

- On March 12, 2007, Valley submitted an appeal which continued to challenge the qualifications of Royal's service technician.

- On March 13, 2007, we requested that Royal have their manufacturers each provide a letter or email that clearly certified that their service technician is trained and authorized to provide service and maintenance on machines in the Mat-Su valley. They were given until March 20, 2007 to provide the evidence.

- On March 21, 2007, after not receiving any additional information from Royal, we determined them non-responsive for the Mat-Su Valley.

- On March 27, 2007, Royal protested our non-responsive determination and argued that we should not have required more information but provided no additional evidence.

- On March 29, 2007, we denied their protest. Royal did not appeal and we are proceeding to award. Valley Business Machines did provide the certifications of its technicians.

This situation revealed to the State Procurement Officer that the State needs to be more vigilant in ensuring that technicians for these contracts are certified to work on the machines bid. The State erred in its initial qualification of RBS, and had an opportunity to revisit that only because of the complaint by Valley Business Machines. The State is

bound to respond when someone protests a bid. As you can imagine, sometimes the complaint is valid and sometimes not. In this case, it's hard to understand why RBS did not timely respond with its service technician's credentials, when the contract was on the line. Because it did not, it will be out of game on this contract. The contract has one-year extensions, and there will be another opportunity for RBS to correct the problems that it encountered on this contract. We are also committed to make the next contract simpler to respond to.

Governor, I want to be sure you're also aware of this background, although it doesn't bear on whether RBS' technicians are certified or not:

A year ago, Mr. David Eibeck, owner of Royal Business Systems, Privileged or Personal Material Redac
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Privileged or I After discussion with the Attorney General's office he was advised on April 23, 2007 that, "The state considers altering an email message a serious matter that cannot be overlooked. As a result, we are suspending your contract though August 31, 2006, and requiring you to assign another individual to administer the contract and represent RBS (Royal Business Systems) in all dealings with State of Alaska personnel regarding copier sales and maintenance agreements and the Division of General Services. This condition would also apply to the upcoming solicitation that will result in new statewide copier contracts".

I hope this helps you evaluate the criticism that the State acted to "favor" someone else in this invitation to bid. It is my opinion in the face of all of the evidence I have seen, that that assertion is not true.

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-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Sunday, April 22, 2007 7:11 PM

To: Kreitzer, Annette (Dept. of Admin)

Subject: DOA procurment in Wasilla

Thanks for the great event today Annette! That was fun - and it was great to see your husband there too.

Do you know of this issue mentioned in the email below? My brother is asking about someone who lost a contract with the state. Pls see below.

-----Original Message-----

From: chuck heath <chckheath@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat, 21 Apr 2007 09:41:10

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: Media Advisory: Governor Palin to Unveil Alaska CommemorativeQuarter

I'll call a few kids and see if they can make it. I

won't be at school Monday because I'll be at your

Volunteer Awards at the Sheraton.

A guy on my hockey team, Dave Eibeck (who you've met a

couple of times because he campaigned for you) told me last night that someone in Dept. of Admin (in charge of procurement) is playing favorites. He owns Royal Business Systems and they sell and service copiers around the state. He said he lost his Valley contract with the State because they told him he wasn't qualified to work on machines there...even though he works on State machines every where else from Southeast to Fairbanks.

Voice of the Times sounds desperate now. Keep it positive and ignore them.

Did Track like the bike? We are going to Wasilla today.

--- gov.sarah@yahoo.com wrote:

> Sounds good. Still be nice to have next generation

> of AKns with us. Let me ask my brother if some of

> his students could be there at that time.

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Meghan Stapleton

> <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

> Date: Fri, 20 Apr 2007 13:49:43

> To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

> Cc:'Sharon Leighow'

> <sharon_leighow@gov.state.ak.us>,'Kris Perry'

> <kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us>,'Meghan Stapleton'

> <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

> Subject: FW: Media Advisory: Governor Palin to

> Unveil Alaska Commemorative

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> We thought unveiling at the Alaska Mint would be

> most appropriate and so we

> have a great set-up there.

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> From: Sharon Busch

> [mailto:sharon_busch@gov.state.ak.us]

> Sent: Friday, April 20, 2007 12:20 PM

> To: GOV - PRESS MEDIA ADVISORY DISTRIBUTION

> Subject: Media Advisory: Governor Palin to Unveil

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> Governor Palin to Unveil Alaska Commemorative

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> Anchorage, Alaska - Governor Sarah Palin will unveil

> the Alaska

> commemorative quarter, Monday, April 23, 2007, in

> Anchorage. The design

> will be forwarded to the U.S. Mint which will

> release the coin in August

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> Who: Governor Sarah Palin and

> members of the Alaska

> Commemorative Coin Commission

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> What: Alaska's Commemorative

> Quarter Unveiling

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> When: April 23, 2007, 2:30 p.m.

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> Where: Alaska Mint, 429 West 4th

> Avenue, Anchorage

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> Contact: Meghan Stapleton (907)

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From: Kris Perry [kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 12:31 PM

To: 'mike_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us'; 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject: FW: Letter of Resignation

FYI. Mary will be moving back to Minnesota.

From: Mary Havens [mailto:mary_havens@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 11:40 AM
To: 'Kris Perry'
Subject: Letter of Resignation

Kris,

This is to notify you, that I regrettable will be leaving the Office of The Governor. My last day will be May 18, 2007. After a great deal of thought and consternation, I will be moving back to my family in MN. I will miss you and this office a great deal. It has been my pleasure working with you. I admire and respect you so much and will miss seeing your bright and beautiful face. God has so blessed me with you and the governor in my life. I will be eternally grateful.

May blessings for you during this journey,

Mary A. Havens
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Anchorage, AK

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From: Ivy Frye [Ivy_Frye@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 9:53 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Fairbanks Daily News-Miner article

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Privileged or Personal Material Redacted I'll be in touch. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2007 9:44 AM

To: Meghan N Stapleton; Ivy J Frye

Subject: Re: Fairbanks Daily News-Miner article

Ill try to appt a LBC fairbanks member that day also. Ivys working on it. If we go with Privil Ivy, then submit his resume but not cover letter to Meg for her perusal. If we go with Privileged, pls share her resume with Meg also. Thnks

-----Original Message-----

From: Meghan Stapleton <meghan_stapleton@gov.state.ak.us>

Date: Tue, 01 May 2007 09:06:05

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Fairbanks Daily News-Miner article

Fairbanksan to fill vacant regents seat

By Stefan Milkowski

Published May 1, 2007

JUNEAU — A Fairbanksan will fill the University of Alaska Board of Regents seat vacated by Jim Hayes, according to a spokeswoman for Gov. Sarah Palin.

Meghan Stapleton, the spokeswoman, said Monday the governor had chosen a resident of Fairbanks to replace Hayes, who resigned last week. Palin will announce her appointment Thursday in Fairbanks at a Rotary International luncheon, where she was previously scheduled to speak, Stapleton said.

Hayes, a former Fairbanks mayor, resigned Friday under pressure from the governor and lawmakers and following a federal indictment on charges of fraud unrelated to his service on the board of regents.

Local lawmakers have expressed concern about Fairbanks' representation on the board, which is responsible for governing the statewide university system, and encouraged Palin to fill the seat with someone from Fairbanks.

Stapleton did not say who was chosen.

Meghan N. Stapleton

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